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Dear Ms Spina,

Your comment to the effect that "You get more bees with honey" seems peculiar to me...

The problem I've been concerned about relates to damages suffered by the environmentally sensitive resulting from actions and statements of Ministry of Health officials to the effect that we're deluded in our awareness of our disability. As a result of the resulting loss of credibility, families have broken up, professional reputations have been ruined, careers ended, and people have not been given reasonable accommodation in the workplace and elsewhere.

Several people have died, some by suicide when, while in depression induced by ES, officials further discouraged and demoralized them by saying they were imagining the problem, making it impossible to deal with.

Would you advise victims of spousal abuse, or rape, in their resisting abuse from others, that they would get more bees with honey than by fighting back?

Besides, Barbara Mowat tried the honey route, and she got stung. More research...no action on damages caused by statements and actions of Ministry officials. At this point many people in her community are questioning what she has done, and the fact that HEF will probably go along with it, at great expense to people with ES. Andrew Parr has stated that no action can be expected from the Ministry for some time, now that yet more studies have been approved. One must question the sincerity of the Ministry as well, as it continues to act irresponsibly.

Your interest, although you seem unable to accomplish any action on more significant issues, or on any but one of Thomson's recommendations, is nonetheless appreciated. Perhaps one day the Ministry will respond to some of the concerns I have repeatedly expressed.

Sincerely,

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